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MARCH 1, 2021 CITY COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY:

The City Council reviewed Emergency Resolution effective on February 8, 2021 encouraging the use of face coverings or facemasks in buildings open to the public. The City Council also reviewed Emergency Ordinance 1429 which was effective on February 16, 2021. This Emergency Ordinance requires the posting of a sign at the entrance to buildings open to the public stating that Face Masks are Expected per City Resolution. No changes were made to the document. The fine for a violation of Emergency Ordinance 1429 is \$56.50 plus court costs of \$72.50, for a total fine of \$129. These documents have a 60-day life and will be reviewed at each regular City Council meeting during the life of the documents.

The second reading of Ordinance 1430 to reduce the lot area from 6,500 to 5,400 square feet, reduce the frontage from 50 to 44 feet, and reduce the building line from 65 to 44 feet in the Bliss Pointe Planned Development District was approved.

A modified street closing request for USD football games was approved. Parking will be removed on N. Dakota from Alumni Street north to Highway 50 on March 13, March 27, April 2, and April 17, 2021 from 6:00 am to 8:00 pm.

Library Director Dan Burniston presented the Annual Library report for 2020 and Finance Officer Mike Carlson presented the 2020 unaudited Annual Report of City finances.

A request to close West Main Street and Market Street as they abut Ratingen Platz on Friday, April 30, 2021 from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm as requested by USD Opera Highlights was approved.

A resolution authorizing the purchase of two patrol SUVs for the Police Department from Vermillion Ford was approved.

A lease with Jeff Mount for additional ground next to his airport hangar at the Vermillion airport was approved.

An agreement with Midland Contracting for Highway 50 improvements, an amendment to the agreement with Stockwell Engineering for Streetscape design work, and Change Order #2 for renovations to the recycling center were all approved.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

With the large volume of curbside recycling participation on Fridays, a schedule change is being made for properties on Burbank Road, Natalie Court, and Brandon Drive. Effective on March 1, 2021 addresses on these three streets will be collected with the Wednesday curbside collection route instead of the Friday curbside recycling collection route.

Due to a resignation, there is a vacancy on the City's Historic Preservation Commission. The term would expire in August of 2021 when the individual could apply for a full three-year term. Expression of Interest forms for the vacant Historic Preservation Commission seat are due by 5:00 pm on Thursday, March 11. The City Council would make an appointment at the March 15, 2021 meeting. An individual must own property in one of the four historic districts to qualify for appointment consideration with this particular vacancy.

The United Church of Christ building has been nominated for inclusion on the National register of Historic Places. The application is available on the City's website. Public comment on the nomination to the City of Vermillion are due by 5:00 pm on Friday, March 19, 2021. The State Review Board will consider the nomination at their April meeting in Pierre.

The City's Historic Preservation Commission meets on Wednesday, March 3 at 9 am. The Human Relations Commission meets on Thursday, March 4, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

The Planning Commission meets on Monday, March 8 at 5:30 pm. One agenda item is consideration of TIF Plan #7 which would be part of the City Council's March 15, 2021 regular meeting agenda.

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